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MARGINAL COLUMN

By AL ALTMAN

THE nicetie*s* of diplomatic language aside: I had the feeling that *the* country in East Asia is Japan and in West Asia, Israel." With this striking sentence, Professor Tokuzo Tobita, one of the Japanese delegates to the Histadrut-sponsored Afro-Asian Seminar on Cooperation that met in Tel Aviv several months ago, begins his brief pamphlet, "The State of Israel's Farming Villages and Farming." This mimeographed description of our communal and collective settlements, which is dated May 13, 1959, will some day be known to bibliographers and historians as probably the first Japanese account of the subject. It contrasts boldly in its admiration for what Israel cooperators have accomplished with the articles in certain sections of the Japanese periodical press shortly after the Sinai campaign: at that time one monthly magazine popular with university students and intellectual circles with leftward inclinations parroted the Communist line that Israel was a creature of western imperialism, and the communal and collective settlements little more than rootless, latterday Utopianism.

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THE professor's picture of the communal and collective settlements is drawn in broad strokes and filled in with a host of graphs, maps and charts. "There is no question that the increase of population through immigration is astounding, but even more so, if we take the case of farming, are the strides in land reclamation and utilization, and irrigation." But as praiseworthy as they found the statistics of development over the last 11 years, the tempo at which it has been taking place was even more amazing. These representatives of Asia's most technologically advanced nation found Israelis an intensely practical people directing their pragmatism towards the fulfilment of social ends. What impressed particularly is the manner in which science, technology and planning are being used to overcome the harsh natural environment: how science searches out the sources of water and technology channels it into sprinklers and pipes to turn wasteland into farmland. "Japan and Israel are a contrast: the one suffers from an excess of water; the other, with water scarce, exploits scientific knowledge and thereby gains freedom of action."

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THAT the Japanese should have been struck by Israel's emphasis on practicality ("like America") and on science and planning ("the German spirit") is perhaps not surprising. The image does not correspond to the traditional vision of a Zion from which a spiritual message will go forth, but it is shared by other Afro-Asian nations who look to Israel for the technical knowledge and skills they sorely need. This need not perplex us, for has not the tool, device or technique that proves itself superior in the measurable results it can achieve, always moved more easily from culture to culture than beliefs, faiths and values for which there is no universal measuring rod?

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THIS pamphlet, with its list of important dates in Jewish history from Abraham to the election of Dr. Weizmann as the first President of Israel, sometimes brings facts into an out-of-focus interpretation, but no more so than do the few books written by Israelis in the past few years on the Far East. East Asia knows little about us because Jewry's historical experience has never brought a confrontation with the culture of that part of the world. Japan's knowledge of Jewry is comparatively recent. Her first non-scriptural source of information about Jews in modern times was very likely the translation in 1898 of Turgenev's short story "Zhid," followed in 1905 by a translation of Gorki's "Kain i Art'om," both of these having flowed from the interest in Russian literature. These were preceded by the complete translation of the Old Testament by Protestant missionaries by 1886. But probably the first occasion that any Japanese ever heard about Jews was some time after 1549 when St. Francis Xavier landed in Japan to convert the country to Roman Catholicism. Only in the last decade, however, have the Japanese, together with other nations in East Asia, had any contacts with an independent Jewish nation.

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THIS brief pamphlet, and observations such as those of Mr. Aharon Becker in his report to Histadrut leaders on the recent conference of the International Labour Organization — that the delegates from Afro-Asia who had also attended the Seminar on Cooperation were "among our best emissaries" — are among the first sure signs that the seminar may in retrospect turn out to have been a significant landmark on the two-way highway between East and West Asia.

Jerusalem, June 30.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Ghana intends to form her own navy and air force in the next year and increase the size of her army by 50 per cent over the next five years, it was revealed in Accra last night.

Stiff Penalty in Iraq For Unlicensed Arms

Major-General Ahmed Saleh el Abdi, Military Governor of Iraq, announced on Monday that Iraqis may not in future possess arms without a special permit. Baghdad radio said last night.

The announcement said heavy penalties would be applied if the order were disobeyed.

The order applies to "firearms of all kinds."

The announcement stated that unless a special permit is obtained, offenders against the order may be sent to prison for a term of up to three years, sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding 50 dinars (£50), or punished in any other way provided for by law.

Leaders Said Ousted

According to Cairo press reports on Monday the Iraqi Government has dismissed the leaders of the Popular Resistance movement, a paramilitary organization said to be heavily infiltrated by the Communists.

The reports said the leaders were relieved of their functions after discovery of four cases of arms at the Baghdad home of a Communist leader.

The authorities also arrested numerous "peace partisans" and members of youth organizations, as well as army officers, the Cairo sources said.

Dag in Cairo Today On Inge Toft Issue

WASHINGTON (INA). — The Israel Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Ya'acov Herzog, met on Monday with Mr. Robert D. Murphy, Deputy Under-Secretary of State, as the Inge Toft issue moved towards a climax with the anticipated arrival in Cairo Tuesday evening of U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold.

Hope was expressed here that a solution could be found although the State Department declined public comment on the issue. Sources made it clear that the U.S. is supporting the principle of freedom of passage through the Suez Canal.

The U.S. was described as "interested" in the Inge Toft case and active through diplomatic channels.

Mr. Herzog has met a number of times with high-ranking U.S. officials on the Inge Toft issue. The ship was detained on May 21 and its Israel cargo ordered confiscated.

Burns in Cairo

The U.N.E.F. Chief of Staff, General E.L.M. Burns, arrived in Cairo on Monday to prepare for the Secretary-General's visit, Cairo Radio reported.

The main purpose of Mr. Hammarskjold's trip is to intervene with the U.A.R. authorities over the detention of the Danish freighter Inge Toft and the announced confiscation of its Israel cargo.

IRAQ FAVOURS LEAGUE SESSION ON REFUGEES

Iraq has decided to attend the forthcoming session of the Arab League (which it wants held in Baghdad) because it sees it as a step towards raising the Palestine issue at the U.N.

This was announced over Baghdad Radio on Monday by the Government spokesman. He added that Iraq regards Israel as the springboard of Imperialism and will do everything in its power "to liberate the country from Zionism and Imperialism." But, he added, the real dispute is not between the Arabs and Israel, but between the rival world camps.

Lebanese Foreign Minister Hussein Aweini declared on Monday that the Arab states will never agree to the settlement of the Palestine refugees in their territories nor accept them as permanent citizens, Cairo Radio reported. He made this statement in Alexandria during a stop-over to call on Nasser in Cairo while on his way to vacation in Europe.

Eisenhower, Nixon View Soviet Exhibit

NEW YORK (AFP). — President Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon were conducted on a tour of the Soviet Exhibition at the Coliseum here on Monday by the Soviet Deputy-Premier, Mr. Frol Kozlov, who came here to open the Exhibition.

The official party was also accompanied by the Soviet Ambassador to the U.S., Mr. Mikhail Menshikov.

Mrs. Meir on Visit To Southern Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO (INA). — The Israel Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, left on Monday for a two-day visit to Sao Paolo, in southern Brazil. The previous evening she had declared open Brazil's 1959 Israel Appeal at a meeting attended by some 5,000 persons.

The whole of Sunday was devoted to Jewish affairs. Mrs. Meir received delegations of schoolchildren and attended a banquet given by the Appeal.

On Saturday morning, Mrs. Meir attended service in the Copacabana Synagogue. After a television interview in the evening, she gave a dinner at the home of the Israel Ambassador, Mr. Arie Aroch, for the Brazilian Foreign Minister, Mr. Negrao da Lima, and other prominent figures.

The Venezuelan Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Rafael Antonio Leon Morales, on Monday presented the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Walter Eytan, with the text of the Venezuelan Foreign Ministry's statement, regretting the criticism levelled at Mrs. Meir by the Minister of Mines during her recent visit to Venezuela.

140,000 CHILDREN ILL FROM RADIOACTIVITY

BREMEN (Reuter). — Dr. Linus Carl Pauling, the American scientist and Nobel Prize winner, said here on Monday that about 140,000 children had received mental or physical damage as a result of radioactive products from atomic explosions since 1945.

Over 1,000 Held In Kerala Strike

TRIVANDRUM, Kerala State (Reuter). — Police arrested more than 1,000 demonstrators throughout Communist-ruled Kerala state on Monday, as non-Communist workers staged a one-day token strike in sympathy with an opposition campaign to oust the state regime.

At least 50 people were reported to have been injured in clashes with police.

According to reports reaching here, most factories in Kerala were under-staffed, while at the port of Cochin, loading and unloading operations were almost completely paralyzed.

A Government press release said that police were forced to use batons to check "violent demonstrators" at Chavara, Alleppet, Annamanada, Tellicherry and in Trivandrum.

It said that buses, schools and government offices had been stoned.

The strike action coincided with the beginning of the "absolute non-cooperation campaign" by the opposition parties to oust the Communist regime. Monday was the 17th day of anti-government agitation in Kerala.

In New Delhi, the parliamentary group of the Indian Congress, the governing party in India, called for general elections in Kerala. "It is a legitimate presumption that the Kerala Government now in no way represents the majority opinion of the state," the group said in a resolution.

Egypt Endorses USSR Plan For Aswan Dam

CAIRO (UPI). — Egypt was on Monday reported to have approved the major modifications proposed by the Russians for the building of the Aswan high dam, and Abdul Nasser is to lay the cornerstone of the dam on December 28.

The report was published in the government newspaper "Al Gomhouriya" on Monday, which said a member of the Supreme High Dam Committee revealed that the six Soviet-proposed modifications were approved on Sunday when the committee adopted the final plan.

The Russians are providing a 400m. rouble loan for the first stage of the project.

The newspaper said one of the major modifications was a Russian proposal to construct a canal on the western bank of the Nile River to divert the water around the dam, instead of building diversion tunnels through granite as proposed in the original plan.

The canal will be 1,800 metres long, including a section of six-metre tunnels.

The newspaper said Russian proposed modifications also meant a change in the design of the dam gates originally proposed by Western and Egyptian experts.

It was reported that American, French and West German experts who were consulted by the Egyptians were believed to have criticized parts of the Russian scheme.

SOVIET CHIEFS GREET HAILE SELASSIE

MOSCOW (UPI). — Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethopia flew into Moscow on Monday for a fortnight's state visit. He was met by President Voroshilov and Premier Khrushchev.

The President, in welcoming the Emperor, said he was glad to welcome "the head of one of the most ancient states of Africa with whom we have friendly relations."

The Emperor replied: "We hope to become acquainted with the sources of your success and power, and with the progress and development which you demonstrate to many millions of people in the world."

Prior to leaving Cairo after a five-day State visit, Haile Selassie issued a joint communique with Abdul Nasser.

It said the two heads of state "agreed on the steps which will be taken to bolster the friendship and close cooperation between them."

They expressed special concern for the African peoples' liberation aims and their absolute right to full and unconditional independence," the communique said.

It was also announced in Cairo that Nasser had accepted the Emperor's invitation to visit Ethiopia. No date was given.

Belgium 'Insists' On Nato Meeting

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — The Belgian Ambassadors in London, Washington and Paris have been instructed to tell the Big Three Foreign Ministers that Belgium insists on the holding of a NATO Council meeting before the Geneva East-West talks resume on July 13, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said on Monday.

Belgium last week energetically backed an Italian move to have a NATO meeting called, but the big powers, particularly Britain, did not accept the proposal.

The British view was that a meeting of the 15-nation conference would give Russia the false impression that there was a lack of unity within the Atlantic alliance.

Sources close to the Belgian Government said this argument was "unconvincing" and that on the eve of the resumed Geneva talks the Western allies should have a "family discussion" of the Western positions.

The sources said that Belgium was acting increasingly as "the mouthpiece of the little nations."

In London, Mr. R. G. Menzies, Australian Prime Minister, declared on Monday he continued to be hopeful that a summit meeting would be arranged and would do "much good."

U.S. Backs French Algeria Policy

PARIS (Reuter). — General de Gaulle has "the unreserved support of the U.S. Government" in his efforts to end the Algerian insurrection and safeguard Algeria's ties with France, Mr. George V. Allen, head of the U.S. Information Agency said here on Monday.

In a speech at the Sorbonne to the France-America Association, Mr. Allen also said he was convinced that differences between the U.S. and France in the Atlantic alliance would end in an accord.

"In Algeria," Mr. Allen said, "We recognise that France is at grips with a problem much more difficult and more complex to resolve than those of any free nation. We do not propose to give advice to France on this subject and we have never done so. We have welcomed the Constantine Plan (General de Gaulle's programme of social and economic development) as a great step forward.

"We have welcomed favourably your affirmation of an Algerian personality. We have saluted General de Gaulle's offer of a peace of the brave."

Algerians Spurn Milk In Hunger-Strike

PARIS (Reuter). — Lawyers visiting 700 Algerian hunger-strikers in French prisons said on Monday that only about a dozen of them have touched the milk which authorities have told the strikers they must drink instead of water.

The lawyers called at the Ministry of Justice and told a senior official that the Minister would bear the responsibility if any of the strikers died.

Five hundred Algerians in Fresnes prison outside Paris began the strike 10 days ago, demanding treatment as political prisoners. They were joined last week by others in the Sante prison in Paris and in provincial gaols.

Water was cut off from the cells last Friday and milk was made available instead.

Mohammed Ben Bella, former leader of the Algerian insurrection, also began a hunger-strike on Monday in his fortress prison on the Ile d'Aix, in the Bay of Biscay.

Carmel Returns For Crisis Debate

LYDDA AIRPORT. — The Minister of Transport, Mr. Moshe Carmel, returned here by air from London on Monday morning, at the request of his party, Ahdut Ha'avoda. He told reporters that he had returned a day earlier than planned because of the Cabinet crisis.

Mr. Carmel was on a tour of transport installations in France and England. He said that the report quoting him as saying that Israel was actively interested in the purchase of jet planes for El Al was incorrect. He had said that Israel was studying what her future needs in jet planes would be. *(Ilim)*

U.S. Acts to Stop Negro Disfranchise

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S. Attorney-General, Mr. William Rogers, on Monday filed a Federal suit to stop the removal of Negroes from voting lists in Louisiana.

The White Citizens Council was named as instigator of the purge.

The suit charges that between last November and June 16, about 1,300 Negroes were taken off the voting rolls as a result of challenges of their eligibility by Citizens' Council members.

Cabinet Crisis Sharpens as B-G Refuses to Sit with Ahdut Men

Knesset Opens Debate

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset last night began a four-hour debate on a Communist motion of non-confidence in the Government based on the sale of arms to West Germany.

After hearing the motion and speakers from Herut, General Zionists and Mapai, the House adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The Communist motion was presented by Mr. Shmuel Mikunis, who charged that the arms Israel was supplying would go to "Hitler's generals, who once again head the German army," and would aid German militarism which was again threatening world peace."

Proposing a national referendum on the arms deal, Mr. Menahem Begin (Herut) asked whether today's Germany was really different. Had the leaders of the S.A. and the S.S. really disappeared? Were they not the rulers of Germany? Was the "Adenauer idyll" not paving the way for the Fourth Reich?

Imponderable Reality

To those who say that emotions must be kept out of the discussion, Mr. Begin asked: "Since when have we become so cold-blooded?" The imponderables were the most important reality, and the heart had a logic of its own, he said.

Mr. Peretz Bernstein (General Zionist) said that the subject was not one for an open Knesset debate, and that he would therefore limit himself to an announcement of his party's stand, on which it would elaborate in the Foreign Affairs Committee.

His party was opposed to cancelling the arms contract. It would abstain on the non-confidence motion, even though he felt a Government whose Ministers denied one another's statements had forfeited public confidence and should resign.

Not New Issue

Mr. Herzl Berger (Mapai) said the arms deal was vital to Israel's security. It was not merely an economic matter, but was technically essential if we were to develop an arms industry at all.

The debate was not a new one, Mr. Berger said. There had been many speeches against the Reparations Agreement. But although we were getting fuel from Germany under Reparations, he did not know of any Communist or Herut M.K. who travelled from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem on a donkey.

A debate on a non-confidence motion is the exception rather than the rule. The regular procedure is that the party sponsoring the motion explains its purpose, the Government replies, and other parties then can make brief statements explaining their positions.

When the Knesset House Committee met at 7.30 p.m. to decide on the procedure for the non-confidence motion, Mapai members took the unexpected step of asking for a debate. The General Zionists and Ahdut Ha'avoda voted against a debate.

The afternoon session of the Knesset was cancelled yesterday because of the rule that a non-confidence motion takes precedence over all other business — and the Cabinet was meeting at the same time. The evening session, scheduled to begin at 8 p.m., actually was opened at 9.10.

Mr. Ben-Gurion walked in a few minutes late, while Mr. Mikunis was talking, and the applause of the crowd outside could be heard inside the chamber. He left again in the middle of Mr. Begin's speech.

B-G Takes Time Out

In the midst of Cabinet crisis, Mr. Ben-Gurion on Monday morning was seen browsing in the Universitas, Wahrmann and Atid bookshops in Jerusalem.

He bought several books in classical Greek and some English works of Bible scholarship.

STOP PRESS:

Resignation Inevitable

The resignation of the present Government was thought to be almost inevitable late last night, after Prime Minister Ben-Gurion had summed up his view of the coalition crisis at a lengthy meeting of the Mapai Knesset faction.

It is understood that the Prime Minister's letter of resignation to the President has already been prepared.

Both Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam have gone on record that they will vote against the transaction and their Ministers will thus be violating Cabinet discipline.

Today's Cabinet meeting is also expected to take a decision forbidding even abstention in the Knesset vote on the arms deal.

The Progressives issued a statement declaring their opposition to the cancellation of the deal as being harmful to Israel's prestige. But any further transactions of this sort should be approved by the Cabinet after prior discussion in the Ministerial Committee for Foreign Affairs.

The majority of the Mapai Knesset members are understood to be opposed to committing the party now to irrevocable action, after the expected resignation announcement is made today.

Demands 'Lamerhav' Apology

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

The Cabinet crisis over the arms deal with Germany grew sharper on Monday when the Prime Minister walked out of the special Cabinet meeting in the afternoon, saying that he refused to sit at the same table with the Ahdut Ha'avoda Ministers until the party daily, "Lamerhav," published an apology for their report that Mr. Ben-Gurion had distorted the facts concerning the transaction.

A vote to uphold the previous Cabinet decision on the transaction was supported by all Mapai Ministers and the Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen. The Cabinet having taken this decision, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion left the meeting after having read out two excerpts from Sunday's "Lamerhav."

Basis of Information

One quoted the Ahdut Ha'avoda spokesman to the effect that on the basis of information the party had received from Mr. Bar-Yehuda and Ahdut Ha'avoda members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, he affirms that Mr. Ben-Gurion's announcement was "a distortion of the facts" since the arms deal with Germany had not been discussed by the Cabinet and no decision taken on the sale. The second excerpt quoted the paper's editorial of the same day, to the effect that the announcements by Mr. Ben-Gurion and Mapai contained many misrepresentations.

The Cabinet turned down two separate proposals of the Minister of Health, Mr. Israel Barzilai (Mapam) and the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda (Ahdut Ha'avoda), to stop the sale of arms to Germany.

The Prime Minister then made his announcement to the Cabinet and asked Mr. Rosen to take the chair. The rest of the session was devoted to discussing possible solutions to the crisis. Mr. Ben-Gurion who sat in an adjacent room was kept informed by way of notes passed to him and by ministers who left the Cabinet room to keep the Prime Minister up-to-date.

The meeting adjourned after two and a half hours and it was decided to meet again the same evening after the Knesset session. However, as the Committee accepted a Mapam proposal to have a full-length debate on the Communist non-confidence motion, the Cabinet meeting was postponed to 8.30 this morning. The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee is scheduled to convene at 10 o'clock.

Whether Mr. Ben-Gurion will participate in today's Cabinet meeting depends on the reaction of the Ahdut Ha'avoda daily.

Not to Apologise

The head of the Jerusalem bureau of "Lamerhav" said later that his paper would not publish an apology, but it is understood, that the paper will today carry an "explanation" of what was meant.

"Havereinu," Mapai's top policy-making body met early in the evening, immediately after the Cabinet session, and decided to support Mr. Ben-Gurion's proposal to hold a full-dress debate in the House on the Communist motion.

It is believed that Mr. Ben-Gurion asked for a full debate in order to force Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam to make their stand clear. They would probably not have made a statement at all in the Knesset if the usual procedure on non-confidence motions had been followed. As both parties are likely to insist on expressing their opposition to the Cabinet decision, they will in this case be regarded by the Prime Minister as having violated last year's coalition agreement, which specifically states that coalition members must get special permission from the Cabinet to oppose a Government decision in the Knesset.

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Bonn to Pay Nazi Victims from E. Germany

NEW YORK (INA). — The Bonn correspondent of "The New York Times," Sydney Gruson, reports that the West German Government has accepted responsibility on behalf of all Germany for compensating victims of Nazi persecution.

It was indicated on Sunday that the action had been taken for two reasons. It underlines the Bonn Government's claim to be the sole representative of the German nation, and it is meant to alleviate the distress of victims of the Nazis who came from what is now East Germany.

The East German Government has refused even to discuss the question of compensation.

'Le Monde' Comment

By ISRAEL NEUMANN, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — "What Mr. Ben-Gurion feels to be important is the Israel Government's freedom to conclude deals judged useful not only for purely commercial reasons, but also from political and military considerations," "Le Monde" wrote on Monday.

The paper supports the view that "Der Spiegel" revealed the grenade-throwers deal on the initiative of certain intermediaries who are disgruntled because they had not been paid their commissions.

"Le Monde" wrote: "The supply of arms to Bonn has irritated elements who forget that the existence of Israel was assured largely through German Reparations. Because Israel is approaching elections, political parties decided to seize the occasion to open a campaign against the Government. Actually no Knesset Member could have failed to know of the transaction in question."

REIDS ARRIVE

TEL AVIV. — The new American Ambassador, Mr. Ogden Reid, his wife, and their three children arrived at Lydda airport by T.W.A. at 1.30 this (Tuesday) morning.

They will take up their residence at 16 McDonald Street, Tel Binyamin, which has been the permanent residence of all previous American Ambassadors to Israel.

Tomorrow, the Ambassador-Designate will go to Jerusalem to present to Mr. Ben-Gurion, who is acting Foreign Minister, a copy of the credentials he is to present on Thursday to the President.

The Reids are accompanied by their yellow Labrador retriever "Stag", who is suffering from arthritis. The dog was being carried the whole journey in the cabin of the plane.

Prior to leaving New York, Mr. Reid was asked about his Hebrew studies. (He and his wife have been studying Hebrew at the Jewish Theological Seminary for some months). The Ambassador Designate said: "Mary Louise made out much better than I. We have about 500 words between us."

Gas Blast Sears Through Scores Of Georgia Picnickers; 16 Dead

MELDRIM, Georgia (UPI). — Skindivers probed the murky depths of the Ogeechee River on Monday for more victims of an explosion that sent flaming butane gas cascading down on a river playground Sunday afternoon.

At least 16 were dead, some of them children who had been swimming, boating and fishing with their parents and friends at the popular recreation spot near Savannah. Scores were injured, some of them horribly burned.

Many persons were unaccounted for, but it was impossible to compile any accurate number. About a hundred were at the spot when the accident happened.

The tragedy occurred as a mile-long seaboard freight train rolled across a trestle crossing the river — a wooden bridge supported by long pilings. Twenty-five feet underneath was a bathing beach and fishing area, crowded with men, women and children.

Suddenly, between 4 and 5 p.m., catastrophe struck. There was what one eye-witness described as "a funny noise" on the tracks.

From ruptured butane cars gushed thousands of gallons of liquid cooking gas, washing in a flood that loosed a ground fog over the recreation area.

In a blinding flash, the gas exploded and turned the place into a seething cauldron of flames.

COMMUNISTS LOSE HEAVILY IN ICELAND

REYKJAVIK (Reuter). — The Communists suffered a surprise setback in Iceland's General Election on Sunday, losing about a quarter of their votes, according to progress results announced yesterday. The Communists hold eight seats in the outgoing Althing (Parliament).

After the counting of nearly 60,000 out of a total of about 90,000 votes, the Independence Party had gained four seats, three from the Social Democrats and one from the Progressive Party.

Gov't Lawyers To Continue Strike

Jerusalem Post Staff

The 200 members of the State Legal Service went on strike on Monday morning and decided at separate meetings in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv to continue their stoppage until their demands have been met.

The strike is in support of a claim for the immediate promotion in grade of the overwhelming majority of members of the Service, with a guarantee of automatic advancement in another two years.

Judge Y. Eisenberg, Director of Courts, said in Jerusalem that the first day of the strike had not had any serious repercussions in the courts. Several criminal cases were postponed, but civil cases, in which members of the Service do not appear, continued to be heard as usual.

Finance Minister Levi Eshkol on Monday morning cancelled his scheduled meeting with representatives of the striking lawyers on the grounds that the appointment to meet with them had been made on the understanding that the strike would not take place.

In Tel Aviv, Judge M. Kenet, Relieving President of the District Court, said that the strike would result in an injustice to many persons being held pending trial since their hearings would not start on time.

U.K., YUGOSLAVIA INCREASE TRADE

BELGRADE (Reuter). — A one-year trade agreement expected to raise commerce between Britain and Yugoslavia to about £15m. each way was signed here on Monday.

Ghana Endorses Wider Police Powers for Anti-State Crimes

ACCRA (Reuter). — The Ghana National Assembly on Monday gave an unopposed first reading to the Government's Investigation on Crime Bill which gives the police wider powers when investigating crimes against the State.

The bill authorizes the Attorney-General to direct any person to furnish information or produce books, accounts, or other documents connected with a suspected crime or subversive activity against the State.

Arriving in Liverpool on Monday, Dr. Kofi Busia, Ghana Opposition leader, said: "You take a big risk in being a member of the Opposition in Ghana."

Dr. Busia, accompanied by his wife and four children, said he did not know if he would return to Ghana. "I have a one-way ticket, but there is no significance in that."

Replying to reporters' questions, he said: "I have had reasons to be afraid in Ghana, but not here. They want to destroy the Opposition."

Dr. Busia said he was on his way to The Hague, Geneva and Greece to attend conferences.

The Hague Institute of Social Studies has announced that Dr. Busia is to resign his seat and become a professor at Leyden University for three years.

Soviet Official Flown To Asylum By U.S.

RANGOON (Reuter). — A Soviet Embassy official here who defected and was granted asylum at the U.S. Embassy last Wednesday, flew to Manila on Monday in an American Air Force Globemaster.

The official, Mr. Alexander Kaznacheyev, formerly Information Officer at the Embassy, was interrogated by Burmese Government officials. The Foreign Ministry announced later that it was satisfied he had defected of his own free will, and said the Soviet Ambassador in Rangoon had been offered an opportunity to meet and question Mr. Kaznacheyev, but "did not avail himself of the offer."

Mr. Kaznacheyev told reporters on Saturday that he had defected because of Soviet spying activities, and was seeking asylum in the U.S. because America was leader of the fight against international Communism.

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Social & Personal

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday received Mr. Meir Braun, National Chairman of the Committee of the Labour Zionist Movement of America for Israel Development Bonds.

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Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim received Mr. E. Eban, chairman of the Hadar Ramatayim Local Council, in his office on Sunday.

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Mr. Armin Henry Meyer, Deputy Director-General for Middle East Affairs of the United States, who is now touring the Middle East, on Monday called on Mayor Gershon Agron. He was accompanied by the American Consul - General, Mr. A. Franklin.

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Mrs. Rahel Ben-Zvi yesterday received 15 representatives of children and their teachers from the Beisan Valley.

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The President of the Hebrew University, Prof. Benjamin Mazar, has returned to Jerusalem from a short visit to Cyprus and Greece.

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The Moetzet Hapoalot — Pioneer Women Vocational Training Centre for Girls — was officially opened at Ofakim in the Northern Negev last week by Mrs. Chaya Surchin, President, Pioneer Women U.S. and Canada. Dr. Sara Feder, past-President, Pioneer Women, members of the Moetzet Hapoalot Secretariat, representatives of local authorities and other guests were present.

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Judge and Mrs. A. N. Geller, of New York City, visited the Hebrew University yesterday.

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Dr. Martha Eliot, Professor of Maternal and Child Health at Harvard University, who is visiting Israel, on Monday visited installations of the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem. She was accompanied by the Director General of the Organization, Dr. Kalman J. Mann.

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Wing Commander L. C. Glover, Air Attaché at the British Embassy, will speak on "The Royal Air Force Today" at the monthly meeting of the Royal Air Force Association at 8.30 p.m., on Wednesday, July 1, at the Club rooms of the South African Zionist Federation, 109 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel Aviv. All members and their guests are cordially invited.

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Prof. Irving Glickman, of Tufts University, Boston, will lecture on "Periodontology," at 8 p.m. today, at the Hadassah Visitors Club, the Straus Health Centre.

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Mr. Y. Nomberg, Advertising Consultant, has left on a European study tour.

UNVEILING OF TOMBSTONE

The unveiling of the tombstone over the grave of the late Dora Rosolio will take place tomorrow, Wednesday, July 1. Friends and relatives are gathering at 10 Rehov Rambam, Jerusalem, at 4.15 p.m. A memorial meeting will be held on the same afternoon at the Rubin Academy of Music, 7 Rehov Smolenskin, at 5.30 p.m.

Elite to Expand Its Instant Coffee Plant

The Elite company is planning to expand its instant coffee factory in Safad as sales, both at home and abroad, are growing, according to the firm's management.

For the past three months shipments of Elite's instant coffee have been exported to England, with the value of orders for this market totalling £17,000 a month.

New orders have also come from Switzerland, while the South African and Rhodesian markets are being regularly supplied, the company's management adds.

JOURNALIST GOING TO WARSAW WITH M.K.'s

Miss Vera Eliyashiv, parliamentary correspondent of "Davar" and "Omer," has been chosen by the Jerusalem Journalists Association to accompany the Knesset delegation to the conference of the Interparliamentary Union, which opens in Warsaw at the end of August.

SMUGGLING. — Two Chinese were alleged in a Sydney court on Monday to have received £A320 (£285) and £A620 (£496) for helping to smuggle other Chinese into Australia.

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Wed., July 8, at 9 p.m.

Cabinet Minutes, Letters on Arms Issue

Extracts of Cabinet minutes on the discussion of selling arms to West Germany, and correspondence between Prime Minister Ben-Gurion (with his comments to the Cabinet) and Ahdut Ha'avoda Ministers were released yesterday. They are printed here in full:

Meeting of the Cabinet on December 14, 1958.
All members present.

SALE OF ARMS

Prime Minister: There is a law whose existence we have forgotten ... Now the Legal Advisor of the Ministry of Defence has found that, according to para. 2 (b) of the Firearms Law, arms may be sold abroad only with the approval of the Government. It may, indeed, be possible to interpret the term "firearms" in a more restricted or a wider sense. We have now received a larger order in dollars for mortar bombs in two sizes. The Legal Advisor to the Ministry of Defence has informed me that I must obtain the approval of the Government.

Mr. M. Bentov (Mapam): From whom is the order?

Prime Minister: From various countries in Europe.

Mr. P. Rosen (Progressives): All the same, it is worth knowing which countries.

Prime Minister: To a number of countries — Holland, Germany, perhaps also (a third country). I am asking for a general approval ...

Rosen: The intention was that there might be exports having a political significance.

Prime Minister: On several occasions there were orders in which the Foreign Ministry intervened and did not permit the sale. If there is no opposition, we have finished with this question.

Resolved: In accordance with para. 2 (b) of the Firearms Law 37 09 (1949), to authorize the Ministry of Defence to sell arms to foreign countries in all cases in which the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has no objection.

Meeting of the Cabinet on January 18, 1959.
Absent: Mr. I. Bar-Yehuda (Ahdut Ha'avoda) and Mr. M. Bentov.

MANUFACTURE OF FIREARMS

Prime Minister: It has transpired that according to the law, approval must be given for manufacture, and not only for sale, and we decided only on the sale. Sulatam must be given permission to manufacture the arms, and then we shall be able, according to the previous decision, to sell them.

Resolved: Subsequent to decision No. 143, of 3 Tevet 5719 (14.12.58), and in accordance with para. 2 (b) of the Firearms Law 5709 (1749), to approve the manufacture of firearms by the Sulatam Company Ltd., on condition that the firearms will be decided on and approved in advance in each case by the Head of the Arms Department in the Ministry of Defence.

Meeting of the Cabinet on March 29, 1959.
Absent: Mr. M. Bentov.

FOREIGN CURRENCY BUDGET FOR 1959/60

Mr. L. Eshkol (Mapai): You have before you the foreign currency budget; we dealt with it in the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, and there were no special remarks.

Prime Minister: I did not have the material at the meeting of the Staff, and I was unable to examine the details.

Eshkol: It was coordinated in general with the people who are doing the work.

Prime Minister: This year the Ministry of Defence will bring in —million dollars; an agreement has been signed with Western Germany.

Eshkol: I know that you are making me rich.

Mr. I. Barzilai (Mapam): I have a question on this matter.

Prime Minister: In which religious code of laws is it written that it is forbidden to sell arms to Germany?

Barzilai: It is not written in any religious code of laws, but I think that we should not sell arms to Germany.

Prime Minister: I do not think so.

Barzilai: I ask for a discussion on this.

Prime Minister: Good, next week. Is it only to Western Germany that it is forbidden, or to Eastern Germany as well?

Barzilai: To Eastern Germany as well.

Prime Minister: Why did you travel to Eastern Germany? I refused to write a letter to a German Professor on a book of Spinoza, although he is a man of sterling character; I said that if he had been a Professor in Switzerland I should have written willingly.

Barzilai: In my opinion, it is possible and necessary to travel to every international gathering in Germany, Eastern and Western. Everyone goes; you (people) went to Western Germany before us.

Prime Minister: It is permissible to travel to Western Germany, but not to Eastern Germany. They have murdered and robbed and have not given back the loot. Western Germany at least wants to make reparations, but they have murdered and also taken possession. There is a difference between Western and Eastern Germany.

Barzilai: Nevertheless the sale of arms and travel are two different things.

Eshkol: We propose a foreign currency budget totalling —million dollars.

(The discussion on the Foreign Currency Budget continued and no one returned to the question of Germany. The discussion ended with a decision to approve the draft Foreign Currency Budget for 1959/60).

Correspondence in Connection with Sale of Arms to Germany

(With remarks by the Prime Minister at Sunday's Cabinet Meeting)

Jerusalem, 19 Adar B 5719
29 March 1959

INTERNAL MEMO

To: The Prime Minister
From: The Secretary to the Government

At today's Cabinet meeting Mr. I. Barzilai requested the holding of a special discussion on the sale of arms to Western Germany.

I hereby beg to recall the fact that the Government's decision of 14 December, 1958, states:

"Resolved: In accordance with para 2 (b) of the Firearms Law 5709 (1949), to authorize the Ministry of Defence to sell arms to foreign countries in all cases in which the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has no objection."

In the explanation that preceded this decision, which was adopted at a meeting at which Mr. I. Barzilai was present, you answered, in reply to questions, that Israel had received orders from various countries in Europe, such as Holland and Germany, and might perhaps also receive orders from a third country.

I therefore await a special instruction from you whether to place the subject of the sale of arms to Germany on the agenda of the Cabinet.

(signed) *Katriel Katz*

(I did not subsequently consider it necessary to bring up this item for discussion, unless Mr. Barzilai should demand it at a meeting of the Cabinet.)

Jerusalem, 6 Nissan 5719
14 April 1959

SECRET-PERSONAL

Received — 29.4.59
Answered — 29.4.59

To: The Prime Minister and Minister of Defence
From: The Minister of the Interior
and the Minister of Communications

Subject: **Proposal for the Sale of Arms to Germany**

During the discussion on the Foreign Currency Budget, you made a statement at the meeting of the Cabinet on the plans existing in the Ministry of Defence for the sale of arms to Western Germany. The Government decided at the time to hold a discussion on this matter.

Since, owing to other pressing affairs, the Cabinet has not yet held a discussion on this proposal, we find it necessary to inform you without delay of our unequivocal opinion, that we are absolutely opposed to the sale of arms to Germany, and we shall explain our opinion at the meeting of the Cabinet that discusses the question.

At the same time, we wish to express our hope that so long as the said discussion has not taken place in the Cabinet, the Ministry of Defence will take no steps in the direction of implementing its plans to carry out the arms deal with Germany.

Yours sincerely,
(signed) *Israel Bar-Yehuda* — *Minister of the Interior*
(signed) *Moshe Carmel* — *Minister of Communications*

(Since I received Messrs. Bar-Yehuda and Carmel's letter at Sde Boker, I was unable to examine the records to see whether the facts as stated by them were correct, and I answered them in the following letter:)

Sde Boker, 20.4.59

Dear B.-Y. and M.C.,

I received today your letter of April 14 (I do not know why it reached me only today). I have examined the Government's decision on the sale of arms and found that the decision applies to all countries without exception. I do not remember the date of the decision exactly, but on Sunday morning or before then (if this reply of mine reaches you before then), you will be able to obtain the date from the Secretary to the Government.

For this reason, the matter does not require further discussion in the Cabinet. You have, however, the right to propose the cancellation of the decision, and until your proposal is adopted — if it is adopted — the decision remains in force, and the Ministry of Defence will act in accordance with it.

On the merits of the matter, your attitude surprises me, but you are entitled to hold it, and I shall make no vain attempt to prove the absurdity of your proposal.

Yours sincerely
(signed) *D. B.-G.*

(On Sunday morning, 3.5.59, I returned to Jerusalem from Sde Boker and a Cabinet meeting took place, at which the two members did not mention the question of the arms.

When I returned from Sde Boker to Jerusalem I examined the minutes of the Cabinet meeting that discussed the Foreign Currency Budget, and found that these two members of the Cabinet had made two errors:

(a) They write that at the above Cabinet meeting I made a statement on "the plans existing in the Ministry of Defence for the sale of arms to Western Germany." That is not correct. I stated that the Ministry of Defence had signed an agreement with Western Germany.

(b) They write that the Cabinet decided at the time to hold a discussion on this matter. That is not accurate. There was no such decision. Barzilai asked for a discussion on this question, and I said: "Good, next week."

(In the meantime, the Secretary to the Government informed me in writing that a discussion had been held and a decision had been adopted, and the Cabinet did not discuss the matter further. Neither Barzilai nor Bar-Yehuda demanded a discussion in the Cabinet, although I proposed in my reply to Bar-Yehuda and Carmel that they were entitled to propose a discussion with a view to the cancellation of the decision that had been adopted.)

Jerusalem, 26 Nissan 5719
4 May, 1959

Dear Ben-Gurion,

In reply to your letter of 20.4.59, we wish to remark:

1. We do not recall a Government decision that can be relied upon on the sale of arms to Germany by the Ministry of Defence without prior consultation with the Government.

2. Even if we are shown that such a decision exists, taking into consideration the fact of our opposition to the sale of arms to Germany in the present circumstances we ask that this transaction should not be carried out before a discussion on the subject has been held in the Cabinet.

Yours sincerely,
(signed) *I. Bar-Yehuda* — (signed) *M. Carmel*

Jerusalem, 2 Iyar 5719
10.5.59

Dear I. Bar-Yehuda and M. Carmel,

The decision that you do not recall exists, and it states that arms may be sold to any country if the Foreign Ministry does not object. It does not say "if the Ministry of the Interior or the Ministry of Communications does not object." The Ministry of Defence has acted and will act according to this decision.

Yours sincerely,
(signed) *D. Ben-Gurion*

(Since then, six weeks have passed and seven Cabinet meetings have taken place, and no one, either from Ahdut Ha'avoda, or Barzilai, raised the question of arms for Germany or proposed a discussion on the matter at a meeting of the Cabinet.)

Passed for publication at a meeting of the Cabinet on 22 Sivan 5719 (28.6.59.)

THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

School Holidays Start Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 450,000 children attending elementary schools and kindergartens begin their summer holidays today (Tuesday). They return to classes on September 1.

Close on 30,000 youngsters are expected to finish elementary school, while around 55,000 will start school in September for the first time. Due partly to the extension of the graded-fees system, about 10 per cent more pupils than last year are expected to go on to secondary school next term.

As from September, kindergarten teachers will for the first time be equipped with a comprehensive teaching programme which has been compiled on the basis of past experience. Changes in elementary schools' curricula are also in the offing.

The number of unqualified school teachers has been substantially reduced with the stepping-up of finishing courses. Action may be taken against unqualified teachers unwilling to take such courses, it is understood.

Mr. S. Gattegno, Cultural Attache at the Italian Embassy, has attended the end-of-term celebrations at Hadassim, the Canadian Wizo children and youth village, and bade farewell to the Hadassim's dance group of 15, which is leaving this week for the International Children's Festival in Palermo.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
2.30, 6.45, 9
TEL OR: Der 10. Mal.
TEL AVIV
4, 7.15, 9.30
ALLENBY: Oh Men, Oh Women!
ARMON DAVID: Chase a Crooked Shadow.
CHEN: The Vikings.
EDEN: Love Promise
ESTHER: The Naked and the Dead.
GAN EDNA: 5 Men—1 Woman.
GAT: The Fuzzy Pink Nightgown.
HOD: How Pleasant to be a Bachelor!
MAXIM: Evil that is Eve.
MIGDALOR: Es geschah am hellichten Tag.
MOGRABI: Souvenirs perdues.
OPHIR: La Violetera.
ORION: Skandal in Ischl.
PARIS: Porte des Lilas.
PEER: Mayerling.
SHDEROTH: Die Deutschmeister.
SAMAR: The Seville Nightingale.
TCHELET: Free Love in the City.
TEL AVIV: The Lady Takes a Flyer.
YARON: The Dancer and God.
ZAFON: Quiet Flows the Don.
4, 7, 9.30.
ZAMIR: The Fly.
HAIFA
4, 6.45, 9.
ATZMON: Merry Andrew.
MIRON: Du bist die Welt fuer mich.
GAL OR: Battle Stripe (The Men).
PEER: Hot Spell.
ORION: Stranger in My Arms.
ARMON: Steel Bayonet.
EN DOR: Stagecoach to Fury.
ORLY: All at Sea.
AMPHITHEATRE: Compulsion.
ORAH: Der Kongress Tanzt.
MORIAH: High School Confidential.
NAT: Dangerous Cabarets.
RAMAT GAN
RAMAT GAN: Warlock. 1.15, 9.30.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
522, 249 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.55 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.
English: 2.00 p.m. French: 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert. Moussorgsky: "A Night on the Bare Mountain." Paganini-Kreisler: Concerto in One Movement for Violin and Orchestra. Elgar: Nursery Suite. 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.15 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 "Kinneret" — Fantasy on two Israel folk songs by Moshe Lustig played by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra conducted by Karel Solomon. 1.15 The Week at the U.N. 1.45 Where to Go? 1.50 Light Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign Languages Programme. 5.05 Summer Concert: Boieldieu: Overture "The Caliph of Baghdad." Roussel: "The Spider's Feast." Grieg: "Peer Gynt" Suite No. 1, op. 46. 5.45 Talk by Dr. I. Margalith. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Popular Songs & Melodies. 7.20 Hebrew Songs. 7.45 Literary Bar. 7.59 Announcement on Kol Yisrael Programmes. 8.00 "The Treasury of Jazz" Jam Session with Buck Clayton. 8.25 "If I were In Your Place." 8.50 Bible Reading: T'hilim Chap. 119. 9.15 Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra — Conductor: Heinz Freudenthal, Soloist: Aliza Lewandowska (Mezzo-Soprano). Schlesinger: "Four Landscapes." Ravel: Sheherezade," Song Cycle — Intermission — Mozart: Serenata Notturna. Dvorak: Symphonic Variations. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
468, 292.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 Mograbit, 6.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 6.45 Polish. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 The World of the Modern Man. 8.35 New Records of Light Music. 9.00 Ladino. 9.30 Rumanian. 9.45 Hungarian. 10.00 News in English. 10.15 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
704 & 41.67 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m., 1.15-2.15 and 5.30-11.15 p.m.

KOL ISRAEL LAGOLA (32.2 M.)
Programme to the U.K. 9.30 News. 9.40 Commentary on the News. 9.45 "Around & About."

ARMY PROGRAMME (216, 223 & 235 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.05 Requests for Classical Music: Works by Dukas, Saint-Saens and Prokofieff. 6.50 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 "Star of the Evening." 7.30 "Science in Uniform." 7.40 Songs. 7.55 Readings from the Parasha of the Week by A. Gurewitz. 8.00 "Among the Flags." 8.30 Musical Miniatures. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Evening in Paris." 9.45 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.53, 16.96, 16.86, 13.93 & 13.89 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. Mid-Week Magazine.

MUSIC U.S.A. (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America: 9.00-11.00 p.m. Light Music & Jazz.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 476 M.): News. 7.30 a.m., 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m. 7.45 a.m. The Coca Cola programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.50 Popular Light Orchestra. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Confidence Man. 9.45 Piano Playing. 10.00 Felix King, his Piano and Orchestra. 10.00 Ted Heath and his Music. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Pursuit. 12.00 Midday Melodies. 2.15 p.m. The Grey Goose. 2.30 Satellite Seven: A Science Adventure. 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.15 Counterfeit. 10.00 Strange Last Words. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 My Word.

Tel Aviv Stock Market

JUNE 30, 1959

Pop. Loan 1949/50	98
6% Comp. Loan 58/61	77
Pal. Bearer Bds Ser I	66
3½% Comp. Loan c)	64
3½% Tax-ei Dollar	95
4% Reg. Sterling "A" e)	99½
Def. Loan Bonds 4½% f)	102
4½% Def. Bonds f)	103½
6% Def. Bonds g)	101½
4½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	100½
6½% Loc. C. Debes. g)	101½
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	225
6½% Bonds 58/63 f)	107½
ditto g)	109½
Keren Hayesod 6½% Deb. 58/63 f)	—
ditto g)	—
6% Deb. 59/63 f)	109½
ditto g)	99½
Igrosh 6½% Deb. 58/63	102½
Rassco 6½% Deb. 58/64	
Class "A" f)	102½
Class "B" g)	108½
Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh. b)	87½
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	207½
Bearer Savings Cert. II'59	96½
Bk. Leumi Investment Ord. sh. "B" reg. d)	139½
Ata ord. "B" sh.	103½
"Kardisch" ord. "B"	103½
5% con. debt. 59/63	89½
"Tevu" ord. sh. a)	90
Pal. Cold. St. (71.10.-) reg.	145
Bluzr 4% debs. 56/65 reg	96½
Nir 5% pref. sh.	89½
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh. d)	100½
6½% Debs. 61/65 f)	102½
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	100½
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh. reg.	79
Molter o-d. sh. reg.	2050
Pal. Brewery 5% con. debs. reg	80
Assia Rejarane ord. "B" sh. reg	73
Nesher 6½ debs. "A" 55/64	120
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	679
Dead Sea Works	304
Delek ord. sh. "C"	119
Jordan Exploration Co. Ord. "A" sh. reg	645
Ellerns Investment Corp. Ltd. Ord. Shares (reg.)	154
G.U.S. — Rassco Ltd. 6½ debs. 61/65 (bearer) f	101
Housing Loan, "A" 58/63 4½% (bearer) f	100½
Housing Loan, "C" 58/63 6% reg. g)	97½
Ofico Ltd. 6% Debs. 61/64 (bearer) e)	101½

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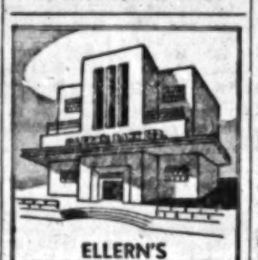

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Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 9-6.

• **Exhibitions:** —
Artists House — open 10-1; 4-6: Hedwig Grossmann and Rudolf Lehmann exhibit their works. "White Cycle" — Paintings by Shoshana Heimann.
Safrai Art Gallery, 37 Jaffa Rd., Tel. 63737. Est. 1935. Jerusalem's oldest art gallery. Works by Israel's leading artists, in oil, gouache, woodcuts, drawings, miniatures. Come in and browse around 8-1, 3-7. Friday, 8-2. All purchases mailed upon request.
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Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Special exhibitions: Survey of the Adullam region: Chalcolithic ossuaries from Asor. Also permanent exhibition, 9-1; 3-5

• **Bezalel Museum:** —
Bezalel National Museum, 9 to 1; 3.30 to 6. Fridays 9 to 1. Saturdays 10 to 1. Permanent collection of Jewish ceremonial art; French art of the XXth century; Italian, French and Dutch old master drawings, from the Museum's collection; Drawings and watercolours by Anna Ticho; Archaeological pieces. Primitive and modern sculptures.

TEL AVIV

• **Israel National Opera:** —
"La Traviata," 8.30.

• **Theatre:** —
Habimah: "The Trees Die Standing."
Ohel: "Five Finger Exercise," 8.30.

• **Z.O.A. House:** —
Tourist Service, 9 a.m.—9 p.m.

• **Tourist Service:** —
Visit Hadassah Club, 30 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 28239.
Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26525, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

• **Zoological Gardens:** —
Open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

• **Exhibitions:** —
Oil Paintings, sketches by Eri Milstein, Tel Aviv Museum, 10-1; 4-7.
Children's self-portraits "without mirror." Paintings and sketches by Esther Perets Arad. Helena Rubinstein Art Pavilion, 10-1; 4-7.
Ancient Glass Exhibition, Museum Ha'aretz, near Ramat Aviv, 10-5.

HAIFA

• **Exhibitions:** —
Hobbies Exhibition, extended for two more weeks. Open from 5 p.m. Box offices close 10 p.m.
Giftware Exhibition at Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranot, 10-1; 4-9.

• **Tourist Centre:** —
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehaluts, Tel. 67955.

GEDERA

• **Yiddish Comedy:** —
Dzigan & Szumacher: "Fetter, m'kenn Aich." Beit Rahel.

HERZLIYA

• **Theatre:** —
Habimah: "Look Back in Anger."

Erhard Denies Rivalry In Trade Areas

MUNICH (Reuter). — Professor Ludwig Erhard, German Vice-Chancellor and Economics Minister, said on Monday the "little free trade area" which Britain and six other European countries were about to form would not be a rival of the Common Market but a bridge leading towards a wider free trade area.

He told a meeting here that the six-nation European Common Market was "not an absolute value in itself."

LIBYA GETS $5m. FROM U.S. FOR POWER PLANT

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S. on Monday announced that it was lending Libya $5m. for electric power facilities to serve Tripoli and the surrounding area.

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DRAWING OF THE WAR LOAN (BEARER BONDS) 1945, SECOND ISSUE

The 57th drawing of the above loan will be held at the Bank of Israel hall, 69 Rehov Nahlat Binyamin, Tel Aviv, tomorrow, Wednesday, July 1, 1959, at 3 p.m. Admission free. The public is invited.

DRAWING OF WAR LOAN (MILVEH MILHAMA) (BEARER BONDS) 1946, FOURTH ISSUE

The 53rd drawing of the above loan will be held at the Bank of Israel hall, 69 Rehov Nahlat Binyamin, Tel Aviv, tomorrow, Wednesday, July 1, 1959, at 3.30 p.m.
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Today's Postbag

The Weather

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	47	15	26	28
Tiberias	42	22	35	35
Haifa Port	65	23	28	28
Natanya	—	21	29	29
Tel Aviv Kirya	69	21	28	28
Tel Aviv Port	75	23	27	27
Lydda Airport	59	19	30	30
Jerusalem	39	16	26	26
Beersheba	71	19	31	31
Sdom	22	25	29	29
Eilat	24	25	39	39

*A) Humidity at 5 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today

ARRIVALS

Dr. Herman Sanger, Rabbi of Temple Beth Israel in Melbourne, and honourary Chairman of the Israel Histadrut Committee in Australia, for an eight-day visit as guest of the Histadrut.

Mr. B. Chanin, editor of the Yiddish language Israel daily, "Letzte Neies," from Paris, (by Swissair).

Mr. Y. Hausmann, manager of Arkia, from a visit to London, (by El Al).

Mrs. R. Aharonson, director of the Tel Aviv Social Welfare Department, after attending a conference on the rehabilitation of invalids, (by El Al).

DEPARTURES

Rabbi Shmuel Ehrenfeld, of New York, after a visit in connection with plans for the establishment of a housing estate for hassidim in Jerusalem, (by El Al).

Prof. Carl Levinson, of Princeton University, for the U.S., after giving a series of lectures at the Weizmann Institute, (by El Al).

The Eastern Region Israel Bond Delegation, after a 12-day visit.

HAMEKASHER has postponed its planned extension of bus line No. 1 to Beit Hakerem until a number of trees have been cut down in the Kiryat Moshe Quarter and the road widened.

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ELIEZER KETZEV, and six members of his family, living in a housing estate near Herzilya, were taken to Hadassah Hospital, Tel Aviv, on Sunday suffering from food poisoning, after having eaten food from their icebox. Their condition is not serious.

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A 750-TON German-built gas tanker, the s.s. Gal Gas, arrived in Haifa with several hundred tons of cooking gas for the Amisragas Company on Monday.

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A FIRE which broke out in the Histadrut Central Dues Office in Jerusalem on Monday evening caused damage estimated at IL600.

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FOURTEEN ALUMINIUM pipes valued at IL150 were stolen from Kibbutz Nir Am on Sunday evening.

Hayama to Build Lighters for Ghana

HAIFA. — The Hayama shipyard has been awarded a $ 30,000 tender for the construction of two 50-ton lighters for Takoradi harbour in Ghana. The firm's spokesman announced on Monday that the tender was an international one, issued by a French shipping firm operating in the port. Hayama competed against several European shipyards.

The lighters are now under construction and the first will be shipped in a month.

Four Indians Arrive To Study Co-Ops

LYDDA AIRPORT. — Three members of the Indian Socialist Party and a member of the Bhoodan movement from Behar State, in India, arrived here on Monday to study the local cooperative movement.

They are: Messrs. Jagdish Singh, Dwarko Sundrani, Kapoor Thakur and Ramesh Jha. *(Itim)*

Ma'bara Dwellers Irked At 'Crime' Allegations

Inhabitants of the Talpiot ma'bara in southern Jerusalem on Monday demonstrated outside the Jewish Agency offices, to protest against press reports alleging that the camp had become a slum whose population was living on the border-line of crime and delinquency. The demonstrators also said that they do not want to leave the *ma'bara*.

A delegation was received by Jewish Agency representatives who pointed out that flats were available now in Ir Ganim and that others would also be ready soon in the Katamon quarter.

On Sunday, *ma'bara* dwellers stoned the camp director and a police officer, claiming that they had made slanderous statements to the press about their conduct.

Another meeting between the delegation and representatives of the Agency and the police is scheduled for Tuesday (today).

Establishment of Overall Hospital Authority Seen

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

The health authorities are at present studying plans to rationalize the country's hospital system. One of the decisions likely to emerge is the creation of a Hospitals Authority with overall jurisdiction over the planning and establishment of hospitals. At present any agency can, in theory, put up a hospital, provided it adheres to standard regulations.

A committee appointed by the Minister of Health a year ago to investigate hospital problems and to devise a 10-year hospital plan is due to conclude its deliberations in a few months' time. The main questions confronting the committee have been the distribution of hospitals — ensuring that the right hospital is set up in the appropriate place — and the most efficent use of medical facilities.

Two specific issues, relating to Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, are now engaging the attention of the authorities.

In Tel Aviv, the Municipal Hospital is soon to move to its new premises and under the Municipality's plan, the present extensive premises will no longer be used as a hospital. The Ministry of Health, however, believes that it is important to keep the old hospital open and thus increase the number of beds available. Yet neither the Municipality nor the Ministry has the budget to maintain it. "It would be a crying shame if the hospital were closed," a Ministry official told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Under Study

In Jerusalem, the fate of the Hadassah hospitals in town when the big Medical Centre at Ein Karem is opened next year is being studied by a committee composed of representatives of the Ministry, Hadassah, the Municipality and Kupat Holim.

The Ministry asserts that on no account should all the hospitals in town be closed down, and that at least one — probably the Ziv — should be kept open to cater for local patients.

The Ministry wants the Municipality to maintain the town hospital, and would itself probably be willing to give financial assistance.

Explaining the need for a town hospital, Ministry officials point to Hadassah's increasing specialization and preoccupation with teaching — which, they say, is perfectly justified — and to the fact that a centrally situated hospital is needed to cater for Jerusalemites living near the city centre.

The traditional "panaces" for the hospital problem, of making more beds available — there are now 3.1 general hospital beds per 1,000 of the population — is gradually being given less emphasis. The stress is now on the rational distribution of beds. Dr. S. Syman, Assistant Director-General of the Ministry, told *The Post*.

There are two "bottlenecks" in the hospitals which keep beds occupied unnecessarily, he added. One is the inadequacy of hospital auxiliary services: a patient, for instance, might have to remain in bed for a week before his turn comes to be X-rayed. A Productivity Institute expert is now conducting a survey on such delays at the Government Tel Hashomer Hospital. The addition of X-ray and laboratory facilities might save a considerable number of bed-days.

Diagnosing Cases

The second "bottleneck"—technical as distinct from medical — is in diagnosing cases. It should not be necessary to keep a patient in hospital for days in order to diagnose his illness. The answer is to develop out-patient departments attached to hospitals.

The committee studying the rationalization of hospital services consists of Prof. H. Heller, of Tel Hashomer (Chairman); Dr. K. J. Mann, Director-General of the Hadassah Medical Organization; Mr. M. Sorok, Treasurer of Kupat Holim; and Dr. B. Padeh, Surgeon-General of the Armed Forces.

The even distribution of hospitals throughout the country has almost been achieved, Dr. Syman said. The worst-served area at present is the South, but with the recent extension of the Kaplan Hospital, Rehovot, and the opening of hospitals in Beersheba this year and in Ashkelon next, the situation will vastly improve. The Jerusalem bed-ratio now is well above the national average. The North is probably the best area, with a network of hospitals in Haifa, Tiberias, Safad, Nahariya, and Afula.

South of Tel Aviv and Holon there are not enough beds to meet needs, while a shortage also exists between Haifa and the Sharon, particularly in the Emek Hefer region from Natanya to Zichron Ya'acov. This will also be improved with the completion of the Government hospital in Hadera.

Country-Wide Cinema Strike Deferred

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The threatened strike of Tel Aviv and Haifa cinema employees was put off on Monday evening when the Tel Aviv Labour Council decided to leave the final decision to the Histadrut Trades Union Department.

The council sent a message of support to the striking Jerusalem cinema workers, but said the central union authority should decide about whether the stoppage should be made nation-wide.

Mr. Ze'ev Carmi, of the Department, will probably start talks on Tuesday (today) with cinema owners, it is learned.

In Haifa, income-tax assessment officers asked for, and got, a "private showing" of cinema employees' salary declarations last week when they were struck by apparent discrepancies between published pay scales and the men's actual tax returns.

The salary scales were published in the press by Jerusalem cinema-owners in advertisements giving their standpoint in the strike. When the taxmen found that these rates were considerably higher than the salaries being declared by Haifa cinema workers, they asked to be shown the latters' pay slips.

After a careful scrutiny, they found that the local men had not cheated, a representative of the employees told *The Jerusalem Post*. It is not clear, however, whether the Jerusalem employees earn considerably more than their Haifa colleagues, or whether the published wage scales were inaccurate.

U.S. Investors Name Cargal Administrator

The American investors who are taking up most of the shares in the Cargal company have appointed Mr. Joe Schwartz, an expert in carton production, as their representative in the Administration of the Cargal plant here.

It is also learned that the former owner of Cargal, Mr. Sam Dubiner, retains only a small interest in the firm.

The final agreement with the two companies investing in Cargal, Union Bag and International Paper, has not yet been signed, and negotiations are continuing with the Government, and local banks on the size of the loans to be granted to the company.

MANDY LAYS DOWN THE LAW

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—Giula Mandy, the Israel football team's new Hungarian coach, on Monday put his foot down on minimum requirements for preparing a national soccer team.

Mandy, who saw Israel's games in Wroclaw and Lodz, told a special meeting of the Football Association that he needed 20 players who must not be allowed to leave on any tours. He wanted a "test game" on July 15 to try out 30 players, from whom he would pick his 20.

Other members of the delegation to Poland reported on the trip.

The F.A. management on Monday night discussed Mandy's demands and is expected to reach a decision in a day or two.

Haifa Hotel Hits Emblem Withdrawal

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The management of the Dvir Hotel on Monday protested against the Government Tourist Corporation's withdrawal of the "Approved for Tourists" emblem. The action was termed "hasty and unjustified." Before taking the step, the Corporation should have sent a representative to visit the hotel to make a personal investigation, the hotel said.

Many tourists had praised the hotel service and returned for a second stay, but others had complained because they were unable to get front rooms overlooking the Bay, it was said.

Negev Said Free Of Locusts

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The Plant Protection Department reported here on Monday afternoon that the Western Negev and Eilat were completely free of locust swarms for the first time in the past two and a half months.

The Lahav-Dvir region in the Eastern Negev was also reported to be clear, although small undiscovered swarms may still be in the Arava. It will only be known definitely in two to three days whether the locusts have gone for good.

The two-and-a-half month anti-locust campaign which was waged by the Department cost over IL 1 m. The total damage has not yet been estimated.

IL1,0006 Fine For Licence-less Driver

Jerusalem Post Reporter

AFULA. — A tractor driver from Nazareth, Sa'id Salim, 34, was fined IL1,006 by Magistrate E. Kielly on Monday for having driven his tractor without a licence. He also took a passenger on the drawbar. Salim was also given a three-month suspended sentence.

TA Licensing Officials Suspected of Bribery

TEL AVIV. — Seven persons, among them three officials of the local office of the Vehicle Licensing Bureau and two employees of a local driving school, were detained yesterday on suspicion of having given and received bribes. *(Itim)*

President Meets $1 m. Family Export Team

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A New York raincoat importer and his Israel cousin, a rainwear manufacturer, who between them were responsible for the sale of $1m. worth of Israel goods in the U.S. last year, were on Monday presented to President Ben-Zvi by the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir.

The American businessman, Mr. Salo Gutfreund, who was accompanied by his wife, was invited to Israel by Mr. Sapir as the guest of his Ministry in appreciation for his efforts in boosting the sale of Israel goods on the U.S. market.

Mr. Gutfreund started his business 10 years ago with an initial order for $20,000 worth of Israel raincoats supplied by his cousin in Tel Aviv, Mr. Abraham Gutfreund.

Double Volume

The former told the President that this year they hoped to double the volume of their Israel rainwear sales in the U.S., from $1m. to $2m. He also hoped to sell other types of Israel-made clothing.

According to a spokesman of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Israel now heads the list of countries exporting rainwear to the U.S., surpassing even the volume of British sales.

MK's See Ben-Zvi On Haifa Subway

President Ben-Zvi on Monday received a delegation of Knesset Members from the religious parties who requested his aid in preventing the operation of the Haifa subway on Saturday. The delegation consisted of Dr. Yosef Burg, Dr. Zerah Warhaftig, Rabbi Shlomo Lorincz and Rabbi Kalman Kahana.

MK's Visit Weizmann Institute

REHOVOT. — The part played by the Weizmann Institute of Science in the fields of applied and developmental research, as well as in fundamental inquiry, was described to the Knesset Finance Committee, led by Mr. I.Guri, its chairman, during a visit to the Institute on Monday.

Prof. Israel Dostrovsky, head of the Isotopes Department, who spoke on behalf of the Scientific Committee of the Institute, told the visiting Members of the Knesset about the work being done here in developing Israel's material and intellectual resources.

Following a tour of the laboratories and installations, the M.K.'s were entertained to lunch by the Chairman of the Executive Council, Mr. Meyer W. Weisgal. They met senior research and administrative personnel led by Prof. G.M.J. Schmidt, Chairman of the Scientific Committee, and Mr. Aharon Remez, Administrative Director.

The Members of the Finance Committee who had earlier visited the atomic reactor in the vicinity of the institute, were: Mr. I. Guri (chairman), S. Dayan, Y. Kargman, M. Levin, A. Bahir, A. Daganl, M. Chazani, A. Hartzfeld, J. Ephrati, M. Kaimer, I. Yeshayahu, and S. Jacobson (committee secretary).

Mr. Guri said at the luncheon that it was evident that Dr. Weizmann's spirit still hovered over the institution. He said the impressions they were taking away as a result of their visit would be valuable for their evaluation of the need for scientific thinking, planning, and coordination. Mr. Guri paid high tribute to Mr. Weisgal, who, he said, had dedicated himself to the growth and development of the Institute.

In winding up the proceedings, Mr. Weisgal outlined the significance of the scientific as well as the humanitarian and spiritual values which the Institute had created in the brief span of 10 years. He said he thought there had been no comparable achievement in any other country in such a short time.

Mr. Remez was in the chair and introduced the speakers.

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A STEWARDESS holding the basket of Israel flowers sent to Pope John XXIII yesterday by Alitalia.

Israel Flowers For the Pope

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A basket of giant red and white carnations and purple gladioli, representing the flowers of Israel, were on Monday flown by Alitalia to Rome for presentation to Pope John XXIII on Tuesday, on the occasion of the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul.

The ceremony, at which the Pope was presented with flowers from all parts of the world, will be broadcast and televised.

The Israel basket was arranged by the Riviera flower shop here, and cost $150. It was bound with a blue-and-white silk ribbon bearing the inscription "Fiori di Israele" and, in Hebrew, "Flowers from the Holy Land."

Memorial Hall Dedicated In H.U. Students Hostel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A hall in memory of teachers, students and staff of the Hebrew University and Hadassah who fell in the War of Independence was dedicated in the Students Hostel in Kiryat Shmuel, Jerusalem, on Monday. The names of 108 who fell are inscribed along the length of a marble wall, while an Eternal Light hangs over a Memorial Book of biographies of the fallen.

Mrs. Rahel Ben-Zvi, wife of the President, and herself a bereaved mother, declared, "They fell in the cause of Independence because they wanted to live".

400 Guests

Among the 400 invited guests were 115 bereaved parents. Addresses were also delivered by Mayor Gershon Agron, Prof. B. Mazar, President of the Hebrew University, Prof. N. Tur-Sinai, President of the Hebrew Language Academy, Mr. M. Shneerson, Chairman of the National Council of the Friends of the Hebrew University, which organized the ceremony, and Aluf Mishne Y. Peri, Jerusalem Area Commander.

Also dedicated were rooms in the names of the late Dr. Judah Magnes, first President of the University, Bialik, who had been one of the founders of the Friends, and the poet David Shimoni, who had been its first president.

A service was held with the participation of the Army Chaplain, Aluf Mishne S. Goren, and an Army cantor, and one of the bereaved parents, Mr. Reuven Maas.

On the dais were also Sgan-Aluf M. Urbach, of the Ministry of Defence, Prof. Jonathan Magnes, Mrs. Dina Shimoni, widow of the writer, Mr. Y. Klebanov M.K., Mr. E. Gelber, Chairman of the University's Executive Council, Rabbi Bernard Casper, Dean of Students, and Mr. E. Kinnan, of the Council of the Friends.

The President and Mrs. Ben Zvi yesterday received a delegation of relatives of staff members of the Hebrew University and the Hadassah Hospital who fell in the War of Independence.

Tiberias Fishermen Seek Special Status

TIBERIAS. — Local fishermen, numbering some 250 persons, are seeking recognition from the Ministry of Defence as a "border unit," so that they and their families might have the benefit of the extra insurance protection against loss of life and property which this status would afford them.

The men from kibbutzim and cooperatives, as well as private individuals, emphasize that their work brings them into reach of the border, at the risk of their lives and property.

THE SULAM TSUR local council has decided to support the Hanita museum and to help enlarge it to include a section for works by Jewish artists.

Toledano Says:

Marriage Registry Rules Unchanged

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The registration of religious identity remains unchanged, Rabbi Toledano, the Minister of Religious Affairs, declared in an official statement on Monday in reaction to decisions taken by the Council of the Chief Rabbinate on Sunday night. Referring to the Chief Rabbinate's decision to instruct rabbis and officials registering marriages to investigate each and every applicant, Rabbi Toledano stated that such investigations had been conducted previously. He placed on record a past Government announcement that rabbis are not bound by the information in the identity booklet.

The decisions of the Rabbinate Council were in any case illegal and not binding since only three of the eight full members of the Inner Council were present, the statement went on.

The spokesman said that the three were Chief Rabbi Nissim, Chief Rabbi Unterman of Tel Aviv, and Rabbi Ovadia Hadaya, of the Rabbinical High Court of Appeals. Those absent were Chief Rabbi Herzog, Rabbi Pesah Frank of Jerusalem, Rabbi Reuven Katz of Petah Tikva, Rabi Ya'acov Hadas, of the Rabbinical High Court of Appeals, and Rabbi Toledano, who retains the office of Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv.

Not Invited

Rabbi Toledano was not invited even though the matters discussed affected his Ministry, the statement declared.

In the rest of his communique, Rabbi Toledano disputed the charge that he aimed to usurp the authority of the Chief Rabbinate. He pointed out that the regulations on the appointment of rabbis formulated by his Ministry were aimed solely at recognizing Sephardi rabbis as "local ministers" instead of "communal" ones as at present. Opposition to the regulations was in fact opposition to remedying the situation of these Sephardi rabbis, he charged.

High Court Sets Aside Rabbinical Court Ruling

The Tel Aviv Rabbinical Court's decision to permit a husband to discontinue his support of his estranged wife because she had left his home, was set aside by the High Court of Justice on Monday.

The High Court decision making an order *nisi* against the Rabbinical Court final, was delivered by a majority consisting of Justices Sussman and Berinson, with Justice Silberg dissenting.

The Court accepted the appellant's plea that the Rabbinical Court had ignored the principles of natural justice when it had refused to permit her to bring witnesses to attest to the fact that she had left her husband's home because he beat her.

Justices Sussman and Berinson found that the High Court was empowered to intervene in such a case despite the fact that the appellant could have appealed to the Supreme Rabbinical Court. The element of speed which was essential in setting aside the Rabbinical Court's decision and restoring the appellant's support made an appeal to the High Court of Justice rather than to the Supreme Rabbinical Court the only logical course.

Justice Silberg, in his dissent, said that the High Court should not have intervened before the appellant had filed an appeal with the Supreme Rabbinical Court which was the court empowered to deal with such a case. *(Itim)*

Police Search Lake For Fraud Suspect

TIBERIAS. — A police boat on Monday continued the search for the body of Eli Geller, 35, who is reported to have drowned in the Lake on Friday. He arrived at the Lake Kinneret shore on Friday morning and left three parcels and a bathing suit. He later came to collect two of them and then disappeared.

Geller is wanted by police on a charge of extracting money on false pretences. Police believe he may have staged the drowning, but they are searching the area to make sure.

P.E.C. Buying Generator From Germany Outside Reparations

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A group of West German firms is to sell the Palestine Electric Corporation a 75,000 kw. electric power generating unit on credit terms, outside the Reparations agreement, *The Jerusalem Post* learned on Monday.

This is the first direct P.E.C. purchase from West Germany, although over the past five years it has acquired tens of millions of dollars' worth of equipment there through the Reparations Agreement. Previously such equipment was bought in the U.S.

The unit will cost several million dollars, and the manufacturers are extending credit for a period of up to 10 years, it was learned. The purchase was approved by the Economic Ministers' Committee a fortnight ago.

Dr. Gustav Levi, head of the P.E.C.'s technical department, is now in Germany negotiating the details, and the deal will be completed by the General Manager of the P.E.C., Mr. Ya'acov Peled, who is to leave for Germany shortly. The terms offered are very favourable, it is understood.

The 75,000 kw. unit is the third one of its size to be ordered by the P.E.C. in Germany. It will be installed at the Sukreir power station. The previous two, bought with Reparations funds, are now being fitted at the "Haifa 2" station in the north.

The latest generator is due to arrive in about 18 months and should be installed and in operation by 1963.

'Masked Ball' Ending IPO Season

TEL AVIV. — The concert version of Verdi's opera "The Masked Ball" will bring to an end the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's 1958/59 subscription concert season. The first performance is to take place here on Monday as the first series of Subscription Concert No. 14. The performance in Jerusalem on the following Thursday will be Subscription Concert Number 12 in that city.

The conductor will be Nino Sanzogno, one of the principal conductors of La Scala, Milan, who is considered one of the foremost conductors of opera in the world today and who will be making his first appearance in Israel.

A group of distinguished singers has been gathered together for the main roles. The part of Riccardo (Gustavus III, King of Sweden) will be sung by Philadelphia-born Eugene Tobin (tenor), who has been with the Vienna State Opera since 1957. The role of Renato will be sung by Kostas Paskalis, a young Greek baritone who has established a European reputation over the past few years.

The soprano part of Amelia, Renato's wife, will be sung by Lucilla Udovich, who was born in Denver, Colorado, but lives in Italy where she sings with La Scala and the Santa Cecilia Orchestra.

The coloured contralto, Lucretia West, will sing the part of the fortune-teller, Ulrica. Miss West was born in Washington, D.C., and made her United States debut at the Hollywood Bowl in 1957 with Georg Solti conducting. A coloratura-soprano, Karol Loraine, also American-born, who has appeared at the Salzburg Music Festival with Mitropoulos conducting, will sing the part of Oscar, the page.

The Israel singers, Joshua Zohar and Shlomo Hermon, are also participating, as is the Tel Aviv Chamber Choir.

Cameri Theatre Signs Labour Contract

TEL AVIV. — Members of the Cameri Theatre company will now be assured of permanent monthly salaries under the terms of a labour contract signed on Monday between the Theatre Management and the Histadrut Actors Union. All actors accepted into the company's employ will now be obliged to join the union. Actors will have to give a maximum of 16 performances a month and will receive double pay for acting on Friday evenings and on the eve of festivals.

An important clause of the contract gives each player one month's paid vacation. After four years of consecutive employment membership in the company will be made permanent. An actor can be dismissed if he violates discipline or is found guilty of a crime. Anyone dismissed will get severance pay.

Ashkelon Veteran Commits Suicide

ASHKELON. — Reuben Sametz, Ashkelon, committed suicide on Monday by hanging.

Sametz, who was a cafe proprietor and one of the town's veteran inhabitants, is survived by a wife and three children.

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Noise Takes Heavy Toll in Industry

TEL AVIV. — Workers in industry should be protected against hearing defects caused by noise, Mr. Gur-Arie Sedeh, head of the Histadrut Industrial Safety Department, told Local Council Secretaries meeting at the Histadrut Executive building here on Monday. Strain caused by noise was a factor in work accidents, he said.

The number of general work accidents last year reached 50,000 cases, of which 118 were fatal. Some 1,000 were made either partially or entirely invalids.

The National Insurance Institute did not officially recognize hearing deficiency as a work accident, he said. It was also not obligatory for management to take steps to safeguard their workers against insufferable noise.

Dr. Michael Stier, Kupat Holim industrial physician, said that research begun in 1923 showed that 22 per cent of textile workers had serious hearing deficiencies after one year on the job, increasing to 70 per cent after nine years and 93 per cent after 19 years. Beside damage to the ears, noise affected also other parts of the body, causing pressure in the skull, changes in blood circulation and digestion processes, and disturbances in the nervous system.

The best way to combat noise, Dr. Stier said, was to equip workers with ear protection devices and to use sound-absorbing flooring in plants. Lack of funds prevented urgently needed research in this field, he concluded.

Mr. Z. Ordinan, District Labour Inspector, said that his department as well as other district departments, acted as permanent advisors on safety precautions.

SATCHMO'S THANKS FOR RECOVERY

ROME (UPI). — American jazz trumpeter Louis (Satchmo) Armstrong arrived on Monday from Spoleto, where he suffered an attack of pneumonia and heart-trouble, and said he wanted to visit St. Peter's Basilica "to thank the good Lord for being so good to me."

Cables in Brief

NAVY. — Four British 2,000-ton "M" class destroyers were handed over to the Turkish Navy at Portsmouth on Monday. They were Meteor, Milne, Marne and Matchless, all of which saw service during the war.

DRAMA. — A couple who will marry in Miami, Florida, on Sunday announced yesterday that they would honeymoon 10 feet below ground in an underground bomb shelter. The bridegroom said something had to be done to dramatize civil defence.

PASTIME.—All but 20 of the 118 residents of the country village of Rahns, Pennsylvania, have petitioned for a return to the custom of delivering letters to the local store because, they said, the new-fangled system of deliveries to their homes deprived them of a walk and a gossip.

MYSTERY.—More than 100 soldiers of a West German battalion in Minden, West Germany, have been hit by a mystery throat infection, it was reported on Monday. Many of them collapsed on the parade ground or in their quarters, and some had to be brought back to the barracks on stretchers after falling ill during the week-end.

BALLET. — The Russian Classical Ballet ensemble, scheduled to open a tour of New Zealand and Australia on Thursday, has called the whole thing off without giving any reason, the local impresario has announced.

Mental Home Inmate On Leave Stabs Wife

KFAR SABA. — Ya'acov Reiser, 55, an inmate of an open mental institution in Magdiel, stabbed and injured his wife here on Monday morning while on a visit to his family.

Reiser, who is occasionally permitted to spend Saturdays at home, extended his stay at home last weekend as his wife was ill. Early on Monday morning, while talking to her, he suddenly produced a kitchen knife from under his pillow and stabbed her in the face.

She ran out of the house screaming, followed by her two children, but Reiser succeeded in stabbing her again before he was overpowered by the neighbours and handed over to the police.

Mrs. Reiser was given medical treatment and later sent home. Her husband was detained.

Cairo Without Water

CAIRO (AFP). — The three million inhabitants of Cairo have been left without drinking water in temperatures around the 35 degree C. mark, due to a drop in the level of water in the local reservoir followed by explosions in the water mains.

Army vehicles have been mobilized to take drinking water to hospitals, schools and restaurants.

3 Syrians Ask For Asylum in Israel

TIBERIAS. — Two villagers from Nukeib, in the demilitarized zone north of Ein Gev, surrendered to settlers last week, explaining that they were former Palestinians who had fled to Syria during the War of Liberation. Unhappy there, they now wished to return. Both were held for questioning.

On the thirtieth day after the passing away of our beloved

YITZHAK PELLED ז"ל
(Ernst Feilchenfeld)

a memorial meeting and the unveiling of the gravestone will take place.

Relatives and friends will gather on Thursday, July 2, 1959, at 3 p.m. at the deceased's home, 19 Rehov Zefania, Jerusalem, from where a bus will leave at 3.45 p.m. for the Sanhedria Cemetery.

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THE public in Israel, like that in the United States, probably knows more about Ogden Reid on his arrival here than it ever knew about any previous American Ambassador to this country on his departure. The processes of American democracy have filled many with wonder, but also with admiration. When the Senate confirmed Mr. Reid in the post which he is to assume officially on Thursday, it had before it all the information about him it could possibly want and cannot be said to have acted without due enquiry and care.

WELCOME MR. REID!

Mr. Reid is the fourth of a line of distinguished Ambassadors who have represented the United States in Israel. Each made his personal contribution towards the strengthening of the friendship which exists naturally between two peace-loving nations. Mr. McDonald was almost one of the founding fathers. Mr. Davies, who died while in office, much mourned, represented the highest traditions of American diplomacy. Mr. Lawson helped to steer Israel-American relations through some tricky reefs with a skill and a patience peculiarly his own.

There is a tendency sometimes, in this modern age, to depreciate the role and the importance of ambassadors. But those who have had the opportunity of following their work at close quarters from the vantage-point of an editorial chair know that a clumsy or unpopular ambassador can do much harm, while an ambassador with the right grasp and approach can sometimes do untold good.

While Mr. Reid will ultimately be judged on his record, he will find from the start that a great fund of goodwill awaits him here. His age, as some Senators perceptively remarked, will be an advantage to him in Israel rather than a drawback. Surely he will enter into the spirit of the country, which is essentially the spirit of youth. His experience of public life, reinforced by a distinguished family tradition, is unusual for a man of his years. It will stand him in good stead among a people which, as current events have again shown, knows what politics are.

Two days after Mr. Reid presents his letters of credence to President Ben-Zvi, the United States of America will be celebrating the 183rd anniversary of its independence. The good wishes of all free nations will go out to this mainstay of democracy and liberty. There has not always been automatic agreement between Israel and the United States on all issues. Those who believe that Israel follows, or should follow, the United States in everything are making a grievous mistake. Israel neither is nor intends to be the satellite of anyone. She is a living democracy, consciously a member of the free world, dedicated to the ideals of human dignity and national independence. As such, her ties with America, as with the other free nations of the world, are sounder than they could ever be if she gave up her own freedom of thought and decision and action. Israel would enjoy less respect than she does if she pursued a course which has been imputed to her often by her enemies — and at times wished on her unreasonably by over-zealous friends.

It is known that Mr. Reid has used the past six months to study Israel affairs as well as Hebrew. He has had more time to brief himself than Ambassadors are usually allowed, and he appears to have used this time with profit. The people of this country extend to him and to his wife a very warm welcome, in the confidence that their stay here will see the present friendship between Israel and the United States maintained, and even deepened still further.

Military Unrest Shakes Argentina

Officers Impatient with Politics

By HUGH LYALL

BUENOS AIRES (OFNS). — CRISES involving the armed forces have become almost a commonplace during the chequered life of President Arturo Frondizi's administration in Argentina. Within 15 months there have been disputes involving the Air Force, the Navy, the airborne troops and now the Army. The President's enemies allege that this series of incidents cannot be regarded as accidental, and that one of his objectives is to discredit the men in uniform and drive a wedge between the forces and the mass of the people.

Whatever the President's motives, it is beyond question that he has kept the Services enmeshed in national politics and divided them roughly into two groups; those who wish to see the end of him, and those who believe that any violent change in the leadership of the State would have disastrous effects on Argentine prestige abroad and, consequently, on her economic stability. This latter group appears to be the more powerful of the two.

With armed revolution as a remedy for existing ills thus cast aside, the problem is how to get the President and his Government back on the rails of true constitutional rule. His weakness for surrounding himself with highly influential unofficial advisers, wielding more real power than members of his Cabinet, has embittered military leaders. The critics have felt that those advisers have led to far too many concessions to Peronists and Communists, with the principles which led them to rise in revolt against Juan Peron largely abandoned (if they were ever shared) by the men whom President Frondizi has established in high places. And, in consequence, they are constantly seeking to restrict the power of the President and, more particularly, of his advisers.

Pact Denied

The pressure recently applied to Dr. Frondizi has met with some success. He was finally compelled to relinquish the support and counsel of Dr. Rogelio Frigerio, his principal financial negotiator and counsellor, believed to be the man who secured for him the Peronist vote that assured his election as President. Dr. Frigerio is also popularly regarded as having signed the electoral pact with Peron — a pact the existence of which Dr. Frondizi denies, despite the dissemination of photostat copies of a "document" by Peron and his lieutenants.

The latest dispute, which held the country in its grip for three days, was with the officers of the Cordoba military district. They have long been discontented with the alleged pro-Peronist and pro-Communist attitude of Dr. Zanichelli, Governor of Cordoba, Zanichelli, like Governors Celsi of Tucuman, Ueltsche of Mendoza, and Alende of Buenos Aires, has been a warm friend of "integration" — of a policy of let-bygones-be-bygone and of restoring Peronists to public offices. As Cordoba was the city where the 1955 revolt against Peron began, the attitude of Frondizi's friend, the present Governor, has provoked bitter criticism.

The officers of the Cordoba garrison, supported by their colleagues in Mendoza, Salta, Tucuman, the Littoral and Camp de Mayo (the main army camp just outside Buenos Aires, decided to make their grievances known to the Government. They believed that Dr. Frondizi was not being kept fully aware of how the Army felt because the Under-Secretary for War, Colonel Manuel Reimundes, was deeply involved in politics and was interested only in maintaining his own authority and assuring benefits to his friends. Representations were made to General Roberto Grotz, commanding the district, and he paid a personal visit to the President. Colonel Reimundes then resigned.

But that did not end the crisis. Two Generals — Raul Poggi and Florencio Yornet — had already been dismissed from their posts because they had criticized the Government. The Cordoba and other officers expressed sympathy with the discarded generals.

Plot Discovered

While this military crisis was occupying the attention of the Secretary of War, General Solanas Pacheco, and the rest of the Government, the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Alfredo Vitolo, dramatically told the Chamber of Deputies during an all-night session that the Government had discovered a plot to bring about its downfall. He said the names of the conspirators were known and that action against them was being taken. It then transpired that police had moved in the early morning of June 19 to make arrests. Officers mentioned in the Press as being sought by the police included General Ossorio Arana, Secretary of War and Commander-in-Chief in President Aramburu's Government; Rear-Admiral Arturo Rial, Under-Secretary for the Navy in the same administration, together with Generals Bonnecarrere Huergo and Labayru. All were active anti-Peronists associated with the 1955 revolt. All went into hiding before the police acted.

President Frondizi, contrary to custom, remained in his city office throughout the crisis. He has formed his new Cabinet last week, the only new Minister being Senor Alvaro Alsogaray in Economy and Labour, a man who enjoys the confidence of business interests. But unless the Government drastically amends much of its policy the trouble will begin anew.

President Frondizi (left) arriving at Buenos Aires' Plaza de Mayo for last week's Flag Day ceremony. With him is his then Defence Minister Sr. del Mazo. Express Photo

Cost of Living Soars In Frondizi Recovery Plan

By a Special Correspondent

BUENOS AIRES (FTFS). — THE cost of living in Argentina has risen by almost 50 per cent since the beginning of this year and President Frondizi is steadily losing political support for his economic stabilization programme, launched at the end of last year together with a currency reform that substantially cut the external value of the peso.

Public expenditure was then enormous, state-operated agencies were incurring tremendous losses and the overseas balance of payments situation was poor. Measures to combat this situation included unification of the various rates previously quoted for the peso, import restrictions, moves to boost exports and increases in internal charges for bus and railway fares and in postal rates. All of this was backed by a severe credit squeeze. But the Government quickly found that it had to relax the credit squeeze in order to prevent business activity from coming to a standstill.

Notes Printed

It also found it could not borrow money on the open market, and had to turn to the printing presses to supply the currency it needed to compensate traders for exchange losses suffered when the peso rates were unified. These traders are those who had contracts insured by the authorities.

As a result, the amount of currency in circulation this year has been rising twice as fast as it did last year when it went up by 30 per cent.

The inevitable consequence of these moves has been an upward move in prices. This trend has been encouraged by the increase in the internal prices of imported goods that followed the devaluation of the peso.

In addition, the abolition of subsidies and price controls — as a deliberate act of Government policy under the stabilization programme — has taken off the ceiling for price rises.

And the wage and salary earners have, naturally, been pressing for more money to offset the rise in living costs.

President Frondizi said last month that the present high cost of living was the price that had to be paid for previous living beyond the country's means. It would be reduced only when the people increased production. He was confident, however, that prosperity would return by 1961 and that the present hardships would endure no longer than that.

Loss of Support

These reassurances do not seem to have prevented a steady loss of support for the plan from trade union and political sources. Labour unrest has been widespread.

The results of local government elections held in three of Argentina's provinces since the introduction of the stabilization programme has shown an abrupt withdrawal of support from the official political party.

Nevertheless, the stabilization plan has produced some items on the credit side. Argentina's foreign trade returns for the first two months of this year showed an export surplus of 66.9 million against a deficit of 40.4 million for the same period in 1958.

It has also encouraged sufficient confidence in the Argentine economy for the U.S. to promise substantial aid.

The stabilization plan was well conceived and there is no reason why it should not achieve its ends — if social and political pressures do not compel President Frondizi to make weakening changes in policy. It is a big "if."

At the Cinema

War Drama

THE disappearance of the feminine element from war films probably started almost 30 years ago with Milestone's "All Quiet on the Western Front," but it was not complete. The fashion for entire elimination, through the theme of a small unit on its own — the microcosm of a purely male society with barely a thought for women — holding up an entire attack after which only a handful of survivors pulls out, seems to emanate from films about Korea.

Tunisian Campaign

In any event, a similar plot in Steel Bayonet (Armon, Haifa) takes the idea back to the Tunisian campaign. An already depleted British company, commanded by Leo Genn, occupies a deserted farm which becomes a hidden artillery observation post served by Kieron Moore. The Germans discover the post, attacks follow, ending in self-sacrifice and only half a dozen men getting away.

These films never romanticize war and, to a certain extent, keep the soldiers on the human level. One always gets the impression that, even if the plot is fiction, such things have happened. Holds the attention. *H.*

GLOOMY OUTLOOK IN EGYPT

Picture of Poverty in Ministers' Report

By RAWLE KNOX

CAIRO (OFNS). — SOME gloomy facts of life awaited Egyptians returning from their celebration of the Greater Bairam Festival. For five days a fortnight ago all Cairo enjoyed itself, whole families together either ceaselessly promenading the streets hand in hand, or taking the air, cheering, clapping and singing, in the incredibly dilapidated growlers that still creak through the city's thoroughfares.

There were firecrackers underfoot all day on the pavements and fireworks over the Nile at night. The bleating of the captive sheep in backyards and garages has died, and the skins of the consumed animals have been dried on every wall and roof.

The gloomy facts are contained in published extracts from the reports submitted by the Ministers of the Central Cabinet to President Nasser in connection with the much heralded five-year plan. Industry (as most industrialists have been saying for years) is handicapped by restrictions on imports and obstructions to exports. The main blame is put upon "absence of a full industrialization policy in pre-revolution years."

The revolution is now almost seven years old. Nearly half-a-million acres of wasteland is uncultivated, though it could be made cultivable, and another quarter-of-a-million acres could well be converted from basin (one crop) irrigation to perennial irrigation, which would give them more than one crop.

Timber imports cost Egypt LE18 millions a year, yet there is virtually no organized afforestation plan. Three million cattle are used as draught animals; if the work of half of these were replaced by machines, the country would every year gain 350,000 tons of milk, a drink scarce enough to the poor.

Half-a-million agricultural workers are "almost unemployed;" this in a total labour force (urban and rural) of just over seven millions. Sixty per cent of the population, or about 13 million people, suffer from bilharzia, the chronic debilitating disease of Egypt, and medical units everywhere lack equipment and trained staff.

The chronicle continues with depressing frankness. "It transpired that the railways are almost entirely depreciated, a situation which led to several accidents in recent months." Egypt's 4,282 cooperative societies are not working at full capacity "because of lack of interest and poor demand for public service."

Cutting Vacations

In the education department "it was found that more human energy would be available through the curtailment of school vacations." Bairam marked the beginning of the schools' four months' summer holidays.

All these deficiencies (including, presumably, the fact that 350 mechanical water supply units have been installed for municipalities, but no workers have yet been appointed to operate them) are to be put right by the five-year plan. But the planners are now back at their desks working feverishly to reconstruct their plan, which was based on the promise that the national income would be doubled in 20 years. In one of his sudden, dramatic decisions, Nasser has now turned 20 into 10, and the planners have got to make it stick.

Nearly a million more workers will enter the labour force in the next five years, but over a third of these are listed as "unqualified" (i.e. having had no school training) so that if the Egyptian authorities' present claim to be building a school a day is true, they still have a long way to go.

Cheer Without Reason

The Bairam holidaymakers have been more cheered to learn that the Government is providing a subsidy of LE15 million to reduce the cost of living. Then, too, in the middle of the Festival they may have remembered that they were celebrating the third anniversary of the British withdrawal from Suez.

A few of the more thoughtful citizens must doubt such journalistic extravagances as "only under the harassing raids of our commandos on British encampments did Britain at last sign the evacuation agreement;" and, the British returned in 1956 "only to be repulsed by the people, who rose and took up their arms in defence of the liberty they had long fought for."

If you could have got any member of the roaming Bairam crowds to stop and think about it, he would have said he was glad things were as they are. But he would have been much harder put to it to give his reasons.

PLAGUE THAT REMAINED

By CHARLES P. ARNOT

CAIRO (N.A.N.A.). — Egyptian authorities responsible for health, hygiene, tourism and general welfare have declared war on the "musca domestica," a two-winged, six-legged, flying insect sometimes known as "The Fly."

They hope to reduce the nation's population of these unwholesome pests from millions of millions to thousands of millions. But even the highest authorities despair of ever domesticating the musca domestica.

The Egyptian fly is commonly known to have the meanest disposition of any in the world. One single fly can cause a long, agonizing, sleepless night. Fly swatters, flit guns, curses — nothing can stay the bug.

Alongside this aerial annoyance, the big bluebottle fly in Egypt is almost a welcome house pet. He finds so much of his work taken off his hands by the ordinary fly that he leads a very leisurely life, and is content with quite a small family (several thousand descendants).

Another menace is the sand fly which frequents the desert — and 97 per cent of Egypt is desert. He is so small that he can pass through the finest mesh. His assault weapon is so razor-sharp that he can drive it through the toughest skin — and repeatedly does.

The sand fly is modest in one respect, though. While the ordinary fly scatters dozens of different types of germs, the modest sand fly restricts himself to producing sand-fly fever.

YESTERDAY'S PRESS COMMENT

Ahdut Taken to Task

Davar (Histadrut) denounces Ahdut Ha'avoda for its "double bookkeeping" system by virtue of which it continues to remain in the Government at the same time that it goes over to the opposition. This behaviour does the State grievous harm, says the paper.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) asks whether Mapai will insist on the "unopposed" decision that was never put to a vote and which a number of Cabinet Ministers say they never heard of. If so, then Mapai will bring on changes fraught with serious danger for the State and the Labour movement.

Ha'aretz (non-party) admits that, judging by past performances, Ahdut Ha'avoda is a most unreliable partner, but it must not be assumed that anyone criticizing that party is necessarily a supporter of the arms deal. Neither does agreement with the point of view that Ahdut Ha'avoda does not belong in the Government necessarily mean support for a military, political and friendship pact with West Germany.

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes that the coalition quarrel that is reaching a climax illustrates the rottenness of the regime. This Government is the most morally depraved the country has ever had and its disappearance from the political stage is an absolute must.

Hamodia (World Agudа) holds that there is nothing more terrible than the Israel-arms-Germany combination. No matter what the political calculations, they cannot be weightier than the harrowing experience of one mother whose child was murdered before her eyes.

Herut has seathing comments for the statement by the Mayor of Eilat that he does not intend to run for the office again. The paper says that Mapai is casting about for a diplomatic job for Mr. Nenner, who, according to the paper, is the person ultimately responsible for the corruption in the Eilat Municipality. Were it not so tragic, the subject would be worthy of a comic feuilleton, the paper says, and expresses the hope that it will not be long before this corrupt regime is swept out of office and replaced by honest men.

Discussing Dr. Dinstein's statement that foreign currency control should be maintained, **Haboker** (General Zionist) writes that the speaker did not prove how this control prevents exaggerated consumption which he claimed exists; how it will limit consumption which is far below the production of goods reaching the market, and how our position will worsen or, at least, not improve with the abolition of control. These are the cardinal points and those advocating continued control have failed to meet them.

Omer (Histadrut) welcomes the arrival of Mr. Ogden Reid, the American Ambassador, and expresses the opinion that he will be eminently successful in building a durable structure of friendship and understanding between the two countries. The paper extends to Mr. Reid, who is studying Hebrew, greetings as one of its prospective readers.

Ma'ariv replies to the Prime Minister's retort to its editorial on Friday that the newspaper is being printed on a press purchased through reparations. This has nothing to do with the present question of the arms deal, the paper says, and regrets that he has seen fit to inject an irrelevant point into the controversy.

Readers' Letters

Smaller Investors 'Neglected'

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It appears from the answer of the Investors Liaison Bureau that only very large capital gets a sympathetic hearing. I also wonder what some emigrants to the U.S. would say to the answer of the Economic Department of the Jewish Agency. Only recently an interview appeared in *The Jerusalem Post* with someone who entered the U.S. with capital and is now lauded in Israel as a great captain of industry.

From all this correspondence, two items stand out by their omission: One, was the American investor informed in New York of the Government Investment Bureaus? Two, small investors are not genuinely encouraged. It seems to me that the Investors Liaison Bureau is only concerned with large, industrial undertakings. Commerce and agriculture should not be overlooked. I am reminded of the proverb: "Great oaks from little acorns grow."

Yours, etc.
E. WILSON

Kfar Mordechai, June 22.

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Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Today's Readers' Letters concerning the "Saga of a Prospective Investor" were typical of the replies we have come to expect when anyone attempts either to explain his difficulty here or to criticize the functioning of Government or Jewish Agency offices. Instead of telling us how good a job they are doing and of defending themselves, why don't they admit that perhaps there is room for improvement? It is not a crime to make mistakes, but it is more than a crime to refuse to recognize them.

Moreover, your New York correspondent adds: "One step is missing... visit to the Government Investment Bureau in New York." But why wasn't the potential investor informed of this office by the Agency? "He won't have an Investors Liaison Bureau to help him (in America)..." adds your correspondent. But if he wanted to invest in America, he wouldn't have come here, would he? If the desire to come to Israel is to be extinguished by self-complacence, then why waste the money and the effort to arouse interest in the first place?

I believe your paper performed a true "public service" in publishing both the article and the letters of defence. The controversy should not be considered over. Many reforms have to be made in Israel and only provocative articles and frank, round-table discussions can open the way to exchanges of ideas. Don't let this subject fade away without a solution.

Yours, etc.
JERRY MEYER

Tel Aviv, June 22.

UNBROKEN REID

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — "Valour does not wait for age," Corneille has written. This is what occurred to me as I read the transcript of the Reid hearings in the U.S. Senate, and even more from Ephraim Kishon's satire, in your issue of June 26. Being able to make friends and influence people is the highest asset a diplomat can ask for himself. Reid's turning of a hostile committee into a group of enthusiastic endorsers was a masterpiece of diplomacy.

Yours, etc.
AKIBA BRANDEIS

Tel Aviv, June 28.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Kishon has done it again in "The Unbroken Reid." He has succeeded, in his gently lampooning way, in rendering the plucky and skilful defence of a young man facing a committee bent on embarrassing the President of the U.S. As a newspaperman himself, Ambassador Reid will surely understand the compliment the satire conveys.

Yours, etc.,
Dr. M. ELLENBOGEN

Tel Aviv, June 28.

BAD MARKS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Is there a ruling in our schools by which the actual knowledge of facts is discredited if the pupil is unable to show his knowledge in passably good style?

Our daughter who is in the sixth form of elementary school brought home a report card with such bad marks, at the end of the last quarter, that we felt obliged to let her have private lessons. To our great surprise, the teacher we found told us that the girl knew much more than might be expected from the report card. Her writing was really unsatisfactory grammatically and stylistically, but this fact could not explain the bad marks.

The school teacher told us that the written homework and tests are the deciding factors in the evaluation of the pupil's standing. Participation in class, correct answers and the evident knowledge of facts, as required in most of the subjects like history, geography, botany, mathematics, lose 50 per cent of their weight if this knowledge is put down badly in writing.

Yours, etc.,
A PUZZLED FATHER
(Name and Address Supplied)

Haifa, June 6.

Ministry Replies

The Ministry of Education and Culture does not issue detailed instructions to teachers on how to mark a pupil in a particular subject. This is left to the teacher's judgment. Indeed, general instructions have been given teachers as a guide. The main point of these instructions is the emphasis on the educational approach in evaluating the pupil's achievements and giving him marks for his work.

A circular sent to schools on May 31 by the Director-General of the Ministry lists the principles to be followed, some of them are:

a) "It is the teacher's task not only to give children knowledge, but also to educate them. In evaluating a child's achievements, the teacher should therefore take into consideration the personal efforts the pupil has made; b) the teacher should never reduce marks as a means of punishment, because the mark is not to be considered as either a punishment or a reward for any act or quality irrelevant to the studies themselves; c) the teacher should endeavour to acquaint himself with the special problems of each pupil and should inquire into the reasons liable to cause backwardness in a pupil's studies; d) the evaluation mark is not intended to determine that the pupil is not capable or that his studies do or do not show good prospects..."

It therefore seems justified to say that these principles are not consistent with a method of marking which can discourage pupils or falsify the true state of their knowledge.

URI OREN
Press and Information Officer
Ministry of Education and Culture

Jerusalem, June 21.

GREEK FESTIVITIES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — For the benefit of the many lovers of Greek classical art in this country who have requested details of "classical Greek events" taking place this summer in Greece, we should like to list the following:

1. The "Epidaurus Festival of Ancient Greek Drama": July 4, Sophocles' "Antigone"; July 5, Sophocles' "Oedipus at Colonos"; July, 11 Aeschylus' "Orestia" — Trilogy, Part I: "Agamemnon"; July 12, Aeschylus' "Orestia" — Trilogy, Part II: "Choephorei," Part III: "Eumenides."

2. The Third International Classical "Marathon Race" with athletes from the world over participating, organized by the Hellenic Amateur Athletic Association, will be held on October 25, 1959. It will start in the village of Marathon, passing by the ancient "Tymbos" (tomb of warriors who fell in the battle of Marathon) and ending in the famed Panathenean Stadium, a distance of 42.195 metres. Participation is open to every amateur who has the approval of his national association, according to the existing rules of the I.A.A.F.

Yours, etc.
PRESS BUREAU
Greek Diplomatic Representation

Jerusalem, June 25.

RUSSIAN MONTHLY

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The information given in your issue of last Tuesday regarding our Russian-language monthly, "Vestnik Israilia" ("Israel's Herald"), is misleading, and we shall be grateful to you if you will kindly publish the following corrections:

"Vestnik Israilia," is not published by the Russian Immigrants Association, but by the "Zera"-("זרע") publishing company. The magazine is mailed only to subscribers here and abroad. It is being sold freely in book-shops and kiosks all over the country.

The magazine is edited by an Editorial Committee comprising Messrs. A. Ezer, D. Rabinovich and I. Ziman. The Editorial Board comprises a number of journalists representing various trends of political thought and is headed by Mr. M. Grossman in a personal capacity, not as representative of the Jewish Agency.

Yours, etc.
On behalf of the Editorial Committee
D.B. RABINOVICH

Tel Aviv, June 26.

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